

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

Docket No.: 52186/DBP/N75

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the invention claimed in the patent application entitled: **Process for forming a protective coating containing aluminum and zirconium on a metal.**

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the specification of which

- (2) ☒ is attached
(3) _____ was filed on _____ as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

- (4) _____ I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number

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- (5) _____ I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of the foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

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FRANCE

02.04.2003

YES

Number

Country

Day/Month/Year

Yes

No

Number

Country

Day/Month/Year

Yes

No

- (6) _____ I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112.

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